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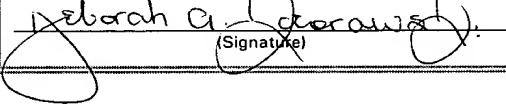
Application Serial No. 09/656,626

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Clark et al.
Title: METAL ALLOY
PRODUCT AND
METHOD FOR
PRODUCING SAME
Application No.: 09/656,626
Application Filing Date: 09/07/2000
Examiner: Combs-Morillo,
Janelle A.
Art Unit: 1742
Attorney Docket No.: 043420-0118

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the Issue Fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a Notice of Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on July 7, 2003.

Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on July 11, 2003 but not considered.

[X] Other: Petition for Extension of Time up to August 7, 2003, was filed on July 11, 2003.

Miscellaneous:

[X] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of 3 months.

[X] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity statement previously submitted.

The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)			\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
Total Claims: <u>47</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$ 18.00 =	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Independents: <u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$ 84.00 =	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+ \$ 280.00 =	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
			CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: =	<u>\$ 750.00</u>
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[] Extension for response filed within the first month:			\$ 110.00	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
[] Extension for response filed within the second month:			\$ 410.00	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:			\$ 930.00	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:			\$ 1,450.00	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:			\$ 1,970.00	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
			EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
			CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:	<u>\$ 750.00</u>
[X]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			<u>\$ 375.00</u>
[X]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			<u>\$ 130.00</u>
			TOTAL FEE:	<u>\$ 505.00</u>

[X] Check No. 12758 in the amount of \$505.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date August 5, 2003

By Richard L. Schwaab

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